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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, FR
SUBJECT: PREPARATIONS FOR VISIT OF FRENCH SOCIALIST
LEADER MITTERRAND - ADVANCE TRIP BY ROBERT PONTILLON

REF: PARIS 8332

SUMMARY: ROBERT PONTILLON, PS FOREIGN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
HAS TENTATIVELY PROPOSED, SUBJECT TO DEPARTMENT AGREE-
.3,5, APRIL 17-22 TRIP TO WASHINGTON TO PREPARE THE WAY
FOR FALL VISIT OF SOCIALIST LEADER FRANCOIS MITTERRAND.
END SUMMARY.

1. PONTILLON HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO
VISIT WASHINGTON DURING PERIOD APRIL 17-22 FOR ADVANCE WORK
CONCERNING MITTERRAND'S VISIT IN THE FALL. HE COULD
BE AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATIONS BEGINNING 0900, 18 APRIL
THROUGH COB, 21 APRIL.

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WM EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT DEPARTMENT ARRANGE MEETINGS
WITH SECRETARY VANCE, NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR
BREZEZINSKI OR OTHER WHITE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE, AND
ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN. (HE HAS ALSO EXPRESSED
INTEREST IN TALKING WITH SECRETARY'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT,
PETER TARNOFF.) PONTILLON WILL WANT TO EXPLORE IN DETAIL
US IDEAS ON MITTERRAND'S VISIT, LEVEL OF RECEPTION AND

SCHEDULING. GENERAL TIME FRAME FOR THE VISIT REMAINS
SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 1977.

3. AS NOTED REFTTEL, MITTERRAND IS THINKING OF 8-10 DAY
TRIP WITH APPROXIMATELY TWO DAYS IN WASHINGTON AND RE-
-8,\$34 OF TRIP DEVOTED TO OTHER PARTS OF US. PONTILLON
WOULD WELCOME SUGGESTIONS ON ITINERARY OUTSIDE OF WASH-
8,&59, 285H AN EYE TOWARD COMBINING AN ESSENTIALLY
TOURISTIC VENTURE WITH SOME GRASS ROOTS EXPOSURE TO THE
CURRENT AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SCENE (THE "NEW
SOUTH" FOR EXAMPLE).

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT RESPONSE, IF
POSSIBLE, BY COB MARCH 25, OR GENERAL OUTLINE OF VISIT
IN ORDER TO ELICIT TIMELY REACTION FROM THE PS.

5. COMMENT: PS STAFFER WHO CALLED EMBOFFS TO ASK FOR
REACTION ON DATES WAS AT PAINS TO STRESS "OFFICIAL"
NATURE OF THE PONTILLON TRIP (BY CONTRAST TO THE "UNOFFI-
CIAL" CHARACTER OF THE EARLIER VISIT BY ROCARD AND COT-
SEE PARIS TERL. PS OFFICIAL SPECIFICALLY ASKED EMBASSY
TO PUT REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENT WITH SECRETARY TO THE
DEPARTMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS REQUEST SHOULD BE
HONORED BECAUSE IT

WOULD CAPITALIZE ON THE GOOD WILL GENERATED

IN THE PS BY SECRETARY'S RECEPTION OF ROCARD

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AND COT;

WOULD CHANNEL THIS GOOD WILL INTO THE MAIN-
STREAM OF THE PS;

IMPROVE THE POSITION OF THE PS VIS-A-VIS THE
PCF.

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